Episode #32: A Shining Challenge

Characters:

- Ash Ketchum
- May
- Max
- Dawn
- Ty Masterum
- Raye Rose
- Jonah
- Lillie
- Sakura
- Sarah
- Avery Meadows
- Nurse Joy
- Jasmine
- Janina
- Myron
- Olivine City citizens
- Victor **(Mentioned)**

Pokemon:

- Pikachu **(Ash's)**
- Manaphy **(May's)**
- Teddiursa **(Ty's)**
- Croconaw **(Ty's)**
- Gyarados **(Ty's)**
- Steelix **(Jasmine's)**
- Magnemite **(Jasmine's)**
- Ampharos **(Jasmine's; Sparkle)**

Symposis:

Plot:

The morning sun rises over Olivine City as Ty, energized and determined, prepares for his long-awaited Gym Battle against Jasmine. After his victory over Victor the previous day, Ty feels more confident than he ever has, though he knows the challenge ahead will be tough and talks about Jasmine of her calm strength, her unwavering resolve, and her mastery of Steel-type Pokémon. Before heading to the Gym, the gang enjoys a peaceful breakfast at the Pokémon Center while Ty double-checks his team, reviewing strategies while his Pokémon eat and warm up for the day. Teddiursa encourages him with cheerful energy, The gang reassures Ty that they'll support him no matter the outcome, which he says that he appreciated that which he can handle on his own. Max was taking notes about their journey and their experience while Avery does that as well.

While the gang are arriving at the Olivine Gym, they pass by the lighthouse once again until Jasmine and Janina greets them with their soft smiles outside, expressing how she is eager to see Ty's true growth after his battle yesterday. Sparkle, her Ampharos, stands beside her, Sarah asks Jasmine if she's using Sparkle in the battle against Ty, she says that Sparkle does not participate in the battle, simply that Sparkle belongs to the lighthouse for its safety, making the light pokemon waving its tail, Ty is fired up that he's ready to challenge her, which she ready and replies that gym battle will be very tough but rewarding with Janina being a referee again saying that it'll be a two on two gym battles, and recommends Ty to choose two of his pokemons, including Teddiursa. Inside, the gym battlefield, surrounded by steel beams and sandy flooring, feels grand and imposing. Jasmine reminds Ty that Steel-type Pokémon are known for their incredible defense and resilience. Ty accepts the challenge with determination.

Raye wonders if Ty could win since the gym battlefield upgraded into a new look, Ash answered that he'll be using his strategies to win while he doesn't use Croconaw since it's a two on two battle. The Gym battle begins with Jasmine sending out her Magnemite, while Sakura examines Magnemite known for its sturdy endurance and polished steel armor, and Ty sends out Teddiursa to battle, Magnemite begins by using Thunder Wave, but Teddiursa avoids his attack to prevent being electrocuted and proceeds to counter Magnemite with Payback, Jasmine was impressed at Ty's strategies while she tells her pokemon to thunder wave again, suddenly, Teddiursa

dodges once again and counters it with his payback, Magnemite was eliminated in seconds despite its effort, securing a victory for Ty in the first round, Ash and his friends were amazed at Ty's concentration and strategies like his while Dawn acknowledged Ty's bravery while Jasmine was impressed at Ty's movement.

She then sent out Steelix, Teddiursa wasn't scared as he's ready to battle, as the battle resumes, Ty orders Teddiursa to strike Steelix with Payback, causing a direct hit but low damage until Steelix counters Teddiursa with Iron Tail, he was getting exhausted due to super damage but continued to battle, Steelix proceeds to use Crunch, luckily, Teddiursa avoids it by jumping into the air, striking it with Fury Swipes, but still low damaged. Just as Teddiursa charges with his fury swipes against Steelix, Jasmine orders her pokemon to perform Dig, which successfully does as Teddiursa missed it, surprising him and Ty. Avery was amazed about Steelix’s move, asking where did it go, which May says it'll attack in seconds, suddenly, Steelix emerges from the ground, knocking out Teddiursa to the air, proceeding to counter attack with an iron tail, falling in the ground, fainted. Ty recalls him with pride, promising they’ll celebrate his hard work afterward.

With the battle tied, Ty sends out Gyarados for the final round this time, hoping to win while Myron and Sparkle enter, watching the outcome of their match. Jasmine responds by telling Steelix to use crunch once more, but Gyarados avoids it by Ty's call, attacking it with his Dragon Rage, making Jonah amazed at Gyarados’s power, which Ash says that it's also a flying type. Ty, who's more focused with his skills and strategies, he ordered Gyarados to use Hydro Pump, however, it missed it as Steelix used dig again, Ty paid attention, then, he tells his pokemon to dodge, which successfully does as Steelix missed to attack, Ty proceeded by telling Gyarados to counter it with Aqua Tail. Then, both Ty and Jasmine tell their pokemons to use iron tail and aqua tail on each other, creating explosion waves in a turning point. The impact is decisive—Steelix falls to the ground, unable to continue, earning a victory for Gyarados and Ty. Jasmine calmly accepts the outcome and recalls her partner with respect and gratitude. Impressed by Ty’s strategy, determination, and the bond between him and his Pokémon, Jasmine awards him the Mineral Badge. Ty proudly accepts it, holding it up as his friends cheer loudly while Myron congratulated him for his victory and he's happy for Jasmine for fighting well despite he lost, Gyarados cuddles with Ty while he pets his head.

After the battle, the gang are ready to leave on the sunset while Ty thanked Jasmine for a battle they had as he petted Sparkle, she then thanked Ash for coming over for a visit again, making him proud as he promised to visit again for a possible pokemon battle despite that he's the champion, which she accepted the offer. The gang asked about their next stop, which Ash replied that Mahogany Town, where the next gym battle awaits, the gang leaves, bidding farewell to Jasmine.

Major events:

Trivia: